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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 99-372-A)

PATENT

In re Application of: Welcher et al. )

Serial No.: 09/724,860 )

Before the Examiner: J. Andres

Filed: November 28, 2000 )

Group Art Unit: 1646

For: Interferon-Like Molecules  
and Uses Thereof )

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

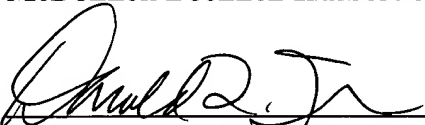
**PETITION FOR A FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants request a Five-Month Extension of Time to submit an Appellants' Brief in the above-identified application. A check including the amount of \$2,080.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), is attached.

Respectfully submitted,  
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